

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 5 with the following amended paragraph:

The computer readable chip is typically capable of communicating with a remote device over a communications channel. Such a remote device could be, for example, a handheld scanner and the communications channel may be, for example, a wireless connection. An exemplary environmental condition recorder that may be used to implement the techniques and methods described herein is Accu-Assembly™ Incorporated's HumiTel™. An another exemplary environmental recorder was described, in general terms, in a ~~co-pending~~ United States patent application, serial number 09/924,279, now United States Patent No. 6,759,862, which was filed on August 8, 2001. That ~~co-pending~~ application is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.